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Kabul expels U.S. television crew

KABUL, Jan. 26 (R) — A three-man television crew working for American Broadcasting Company (ABC) were expelled from Afghanistan today, apparently for filming an area outside Kabul. The crew, consisting of producer Jacques Grenier, soundman Richard Hull — both Americans — and cameraman Barry Fox, a Briton from Northern Ireland, Mr. Fox said today he was told by an Afghan police official: "You must buy a ticket and leave Afghanistan today. It is not matter what flight you take or where you go." The only motive to leaving, the official said, was to remain under house arrest in Kabul's Intercontinental hotel. Mr. Fox said the order clearly linked with their detention last Thursday by Afghan soldiers when they were filming west of Kabul. A government official later told them they had filmed in an area that was "anti-revolutionary."

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Egypt sets Feb. 15 for full normal ties

CAIRO, Jan. 26 (R) — Egypt has set Feb. 15 as the date for the start of full normalisation of relations with Israel. Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil said today. Confirming a report to this effect in the weekly magazine October, he told Reuters President Anwar Sadat would explain the move in a speech on Monday. Dr. Khalil also confirmed this meant negotiations on such issues as flights between the two countries and trade and cultural relations could begin from mid-February. Israel is anxious for an early start to these talks although under their peace treaty either side could have waited another six months before beginning them. No official explanation for the change in tactics was available. The October magazine today said Mr. Sadat had asked Dr. Khalil to consider Feb. 15 as the date for the start of full normalisation after a meeting in Cairo last Wednesday with Israeli Defence Minister Ezer Weizman.

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Heads for decisive victory Bani-Sadr pledges to win U.S.-Iran crisis

IRAN, Jan. 26 (R) — Finance Minister Abol Bani-Sadr was today heading for a decisive victory in Iran's first presidential election after wage-campaign based on economic recovery and independence from the superpowers.

In an interview with Reuters, he said one of his priorities would be the crisis between Iran and the United States. He said about the continued detention of 49 American hostages at embassy here, he said last night: "I will try to bring this between the Americans and ourselves to an end in a way that safeguards the demands and the independence of Iran."

The 66-year-old French-trained economist was leading in all regional polls. The state radio-reported he received three million out of seven million votes counted so far. He was almost certain to gain the majority required for election. His closest rival, Admiral Madani, had 700,000 votes.

Revolutionary leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, who has the veto to the election of presidential candidates, was expected to endorse Mr. Bani-Sadr. Doctors treating the old leader for a heart ailment at a Tehran hospital said today European specialists had been called in to assist the Iranian team.



The specialists were identified by state radio as Professors Sadeghi and Reveille from Lausanne, Switzerland. The radio said the two men examined Ayatollah Khomeini and approved of the treatment his Iranian physicians were giving him. A spokesman told Reuters Ayatollah Khomeini was suffering from angina, caused by poor blood circulation in the heart muscle. Mr. Bani-Sadr was meanwhile recovering today from a heavy cold and weeks of hectic campaigning. But he told Reuters he would set up a national congress of

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A crowd of Palestinian refugees and Lebanese citizens wave a Lebanese flag and burn effigies of U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Israeli Premier Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat Saturday to denounce the normalisation of relations between Egypt and Israel.

Protest Egypt-Israel normalisation Masses demonstrate, go on strike all over Arab world

DAMASCUS, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — Hundreds of thousands throughout the Arab World went on strike and

demonstrated today to protest the normalisation of relations between Egypt and Israel.

On the occupied West Bank of Jordan, Palestinian Arabs closed their shops in protest against the latest phase of separate peace-making between Egypt and Israel — the opening of their border to civilian traffic.

In Gaza 10 local Arabs were wounded when a hand grenade thrown at a passing Israeli military patrol exploded in the town's main square. None of the soldiers was hurt in the incident.

A major security alert was in force in both Gaza and the West Bank today.

A mass rally at Bir Zeit University near Ramallah in the West Bank did not materialise. Israeli troops set up road blocks to keep away demonstrators.

In the Syrian capital, Prime Minister Abdul Rauf Al Kasm joined an estimated 500,000 people who paraded through the streets of Damascus, many of them shouting slogans against Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

The Iraq News Agency reported from Baghdad that one million angry demonstrators attended a protest rally, including hundreds of Egyptians opposed to President Sadat's policy of peace with Israel.

In Beirut, Palestinian commander Salah Khalaf (code name Abu Iyad) addressed a crowd of several thousand protesters. The demonstrators burnt effigies of Mr. Sadat, Israeli Premier Menachem Begin and President Carter.

The Palestine Liberation Organisation had called for a general strike throughout the Arab World to protest against the opening of diplomatic ties between Israel and Egypt.

Shops were closed in mainly Muslim West Beirut and several other parts of Lebanon. There were strikes in Syria and Iraq.

In Doha, capital of the Gulf state of Qatar, several hundred Palestinians began a day-long sit-in at the PLO office.

Palestinian speakers branded the peace agreements between Israel and Egypt as "another conspiracy against the Arab Nation in general and the Palestinian people in particular."

A protest march also held in Aden, South Yemen.

The United States special presidential envoy to the autonomy talks, Sol Linowitz, is due in Israel next week for another round of talks.

The pro-Palestine Liberation Organisation "Committees of National Guidance" called today on West Bank leaders not to take part in any way in the autonomy negotiations.

Most Arab states oppose Egypt's peace treaty with Israel because they regard it as a separate agreement which does not adequately take into account the aspirations of the Palestinian people to a homeland.

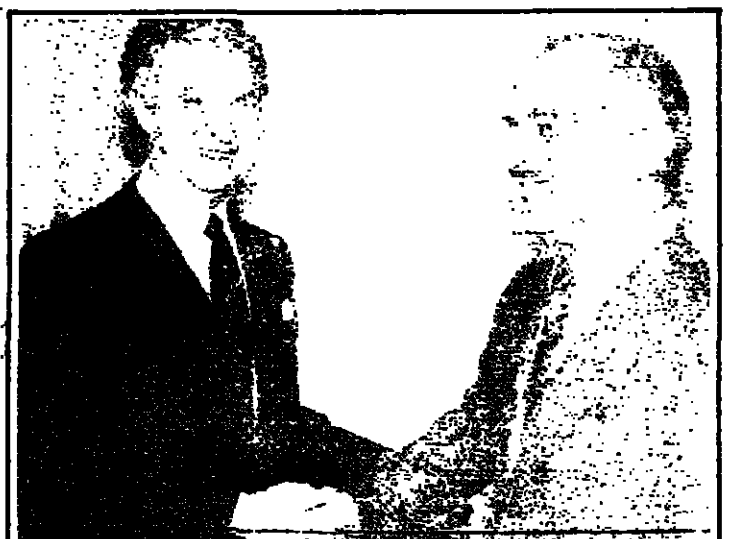
In Beirut, Abu Iyad, speaking in the presence of PLO Chairman

Yasser Arafat, said: "We proclaim that there will be no peace with, or recognition of, Israel... the revolution continues."

He called on Syria and Iraq to establish a unified front against Israel and shouted "the Palestinian revolution will continue to keep its grasp on the gun and will not let it slip."

In Damascus, Mr. Mohammad Zuhair Masharka, assistant secretary general of the ruling Arab Baath Socialist Party, said at a rally: "Syria and the millions of Arabs behind it continue their firm opposition to the Carter-Begin-Sadat alliance and to all the

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Hussein confers with Linowitz, Callaghan

LONDON, Jan. 26 (JNA) — His Majesty King Hussein received here today President Carter's special envoy Sol Linowitz (photo), who presented the U.S. viewpoint on Middle East developments and the current international situation.

King Hussein reiterated Jordan's position regarding the bases upon which durable and just peace in the Middle East can be founded. These include complete Israeli withdrawal from the occupied Arab territories, including the holy city of Jerusalem, enabling the Palestinian people to exercise its right to self-determination on its own land and the need for full Palestinian participation in any discussion of the Palestinian issue which is the crux of the Middle East crisis.

The King also explained to the U.S. envoy the unified Arab stand adopted at summit conferences in Baghdad and Tunis.

Earlier, King Hussein received British opposition leader James Callaghan with whom he reviewed latest developments in the Middle East and international affairs.

The King is on a private visit here. (AP wirephoto)

Regional Briefs

AN, Jan. 26 (R) — Iran has signed a contract to sell Brazil barrels of oil a day in 1980. Oil Minister Ali Akbar said today. He told the official Pars News Agency the terms of the sale were similar to those agreed with other countries. Informed sources said the average price of the sale is \$30 a barrel, and that Iran will have a share in the profits of some of the oil. Of the total, 35,000 barrels will be sold in strings, but 25,000 will be refined in Brazil with Iran 70 per cent of the profits. In addition, Brazil has under-sell goods to Iran, which will submit shortly a list of the terms it requires, the sources said.

D, Jan. 26 (R) — A group of Soviet diplomats has left Cairo today, in a protest against Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. The Soviet mission in Cairo said today. They said the Soviet foreign ministry officials said today. They said the Soviet mission to Egypt, Mr. Vladimir Polyakov, called today on the Soviet mission to leave the country within the next days. The officials did not say how many diplomats were in and a Soviet embassy spokesman said: "I am not in a position to talk about this subject." Dr. Ghali reiterated to Mr. Polyakov today that Egypt considered the Soviet action in Afghanistan to be "a threat to world peace and a violation of the UN Charter as well as principles of peaceful coexistence," the Egyptian officials said.

AN, Jan. 26 (R) — An army helicopter crashed into a mountain in central Iran last Thursday and all 11 people aboard killed, the Kayhan newspaper reported today. Kayhan said wreckage of the helicopter was discovered in the Nadushan mountains, 140 kilometres from the central city of Yazd. It was from Isfahan to Iranshahr in southeastern Iran and went down during violent snowstorms which covered much of the country on Thursday.

AN, Jan. 26 (R) — Saudi Arabia's first bank run by women opened in Riyadh today. It will perform most banking functions, the English-language newspaper Arab News said. Women said the bank would be in keeping with Islamic laws and customs. Ladies-only banking is seen as the most private way for women to enjoy kingdom's economic growth. In the words of an interior ministry statement, "promoting their modesty and traditional role." Under law women may own real estate and businesses and manage

AN, Jan. 26 (R) — Two oil pipelines were blown up in Iran last night, and a fire which started on one of them brought under control. Oil Minister Ali Akbar Moinefar said today. Mr. Moinefar said an eight inch pipeline was not in use the explosion occurred, but that a 12 inch pipeline caught fire. The explosion occurred on a pipeline near Ahwaz on 2, which cut crude oil deliveries to the Abadan refinery by 100,000 barrels a day from the normal 450,000, was extinguished the week and repair work started, the Etela'at newspaper

TOUOM, Jan. 26 (R) — The Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa will not assist any African country which with Israel or South Africa, the bank's president, Mr. Chedli said. He told a press conference here yesterday that the bank apply to any country which deals established diplomatic relations with Israel or South Africa or which deal with firms in those states. The Khartoum-based bank has already boycotted for signing a peace treaty with Israel, but Mr. Ayari said "maintaining relations with Egypt would not be affected." Arab countries except Sudan, Oman and Somalia have several economic and other relations with Egypt.

Islamic aides expand agenda to include Palestinian rights

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 26 (R) — An emergency Islamic foreign ministers meeting called to discuss Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan is expected to widen its agenda to include Palestinian rights and external pressure on Islamic countries, conference sources said today.

The expanded provisional agenda emerged from a session of officials from more than 30 members of the Islamic Conference Organisation (ICO) which will attend the ministerial gathering, starting tomorrow.

It was not yet clear whether the Soviet-backed government in Afghanistan would take part. A Kabul Radio broadcast yesterday said it would not because Afghanistan considered the gathering an interference in its internal affairs. But a subsequent broadcast monitored in London said Foreign Minister Shah Mohammad Dost might go to put the record straight.

The conference sources said that an Islamic boycott of the 1980 Moscow Olympic Games would probably also be raised during the conference. Saudi Arabia, which has taken the lead in Arab opposition to the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan late last month, was the first country to announce it would boycott the Moscow Games.

Tomorrow's ministerial meeting was called by Bangladesh soon after Soviet forces moved in large numbers into Afghanistan, an ICO member.

The conference sources said today Saudi Arabia would call on all Islamic states to cut diplomatic and other relations with Afghanistan.

Other Saudi proposals included the rejection of Afghanistan from all Islamic organisation and military and financial aid for the rebel groups fighting to topple the Kabul government and to expel Soviet troops. It would also call for a boycott of the Olympics, they said.

The Libyan Jamahiriyah broke ranks today with other Muslim supporters of the Soviet Union and said it would attend the conference. Officials said the Libyan ambassador to Bahrain, Mr. Ramadan Al Raobi, would arrive in Pakistan tomorrow to lead his country's delegation to the talks. Syria, South Yemen and the Palestine Liberation Organisation, which along with Libya and Algeria originally opposed

the conference because it coincided with the latest phase of the normalisation of relations between Egypt and Israel, have so far given no indication they will be present.

At the request of Iran, ICO Secretary General Habib Charty agreed last night to postpone the opening from today to tomorrow so it would not clash with the Israeli-Egyptian formalities. Conference officials hoped the switch would lead to the participation of the three countries and the PLO. Algeria announced its willingness to attend yesterday.

In Tehran, Foreign Minister

Afghan rebels agree to unite

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 26 (R) — Seven Afghan rebel groups based in Pakistan have agreed in principle to unite and form a revolutionary council under an as yet unnamed leader, insurgent sources said today.

The sources said the council would direct and distribute aid and funds which are expected from rebel supporters abroad. A leader is expected to be announced next week. Other details of the council's activities have yet to be concluded.

The unity talks began soon after the Soviet Union's intervention in Afghanistan last month. The main person responsible for bringing the rebel groups together was Maulana Mufi Mahmud, leader of Pakistan's right-wing religious Jamiat Ulema Islam Party, the sources said.

The groups have agreed to nominate Professor Burhanuddin Rabbani as their spokesman. He will address this weekend's conference of Islamic foreign ministers meeting in Islamabad to discuss the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.



Mr. Bob Giordano, of Belleville, New Jersey, a member of the U.S. Olympic weightlifting team, is surrounded by other Olympic hopefuls, as he speaks against any boycott of the 1980 Olympics in

Moscow. The athletes held a press conference at the Olympic training centre in Colorado Springs on Friday to oppose President Carter's proposed boycott. (AP wirephoto)

UAE urges subcontinentals to have papers in order

ABU DHABI, Jan. 26 (R) — Thousands of Indian and Pakistani workers could be deported from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) during the next month unless their entry papers and work permits are in order, government sources said today. They said that under new labour regulations expatriates had to meet all the legal requirements for staying in the country or leave by Feb. 21.

The sources said there were an estimated 500,000 Indians and Pakistanis in the UAE, double the country's indigenous population.

The UAE minister of labour and social affairs, Mr. Seif Al Jarwan, said earlier this month that 95 per cent of the problems created for the UAE stemmed from foreigners. The crime rate involving burglaries has gone up, and the main reason for this was unemployment, he said.

In order to control the situation, he said, employers were instructed not to employ personnel who are on some other sponsorship, and deport foreign labour to the country of origin if labour was not required by them.

A foreign employee could not take up another employment till one year had elapsed from the date he left the country, he said.

Police have made several swoops on markets and business centres in Abu Dhabi and Dubai to check papers.

Pakistani embassy sources said it was too early to assess the effects of the new law. "It could have a significant adverse effect on the Asian community here," they said.

The Indian consulate in Dubai declined to comment on the effect of the law on its nationals. But the English language weekly newspaper Gulf Mirror, published in Bahrain, said however that the

Assad arrives in Riyadh

RIYADH, Jan. 26 (R) — Syrian President Hafez Al Assad today flew into Riyadh airport on a one-day trip to discuss regional developments with King Khalid of Saudi Arabia, officials said.

Saudi Arabia has taken the lead in Arab opposition to Soviet intervention in Afghanistan and President Assad's trip comes just a day before Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko is due in Damascus for a three-day visit.

Saudi Arabia is staunchly anti-Soviet and was the first country to announce a boycott of the Olympic Games because of the Kremlin's incursion into Afghanistan late last month.

Syria did not back the Soviet intervention, but President Assad has said he wants closer ties with Moscow, the main source of arms for his country.

While Saudi Arabia gives priority to opposing the events in Afghanistan, Syria wants protest against the Israeli-Egyptian peace accords to be given the most emphasis.

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No to double standards

IT IS MEET and fitting that the Islamic world should show it has no intention of allowing itself to be used as a pawn in the game of the superpowers.

We cannot but welcome the news that Islamic foreign ministers meeting in Islamabad today are expected to widen their agenda to include the question of Palestinian rights -- not because we support the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan; that intervention is expected to be condemned by the conference anyway -- but to make the point that we are not so naive as to accept double standards, especially someone else's double standards.

The United States should not expect the Islamic countries to rally to its cause whenever it suits its fancy. If aggression deserves to be condemned, then surely it deserves to be condemned where it concerns us most, right in our midst.

How often has the United States shielded Israel from well merited condemnation from the world body at the United Nations? Aggression is aggression: what does it matter to us if it is perpetrated by a superpower or some other country? We refuse to accept the rules of a superpower club, that it is permitted to support invasion but not to engage in it oneself.

Why should the Islamic world, at the instigation of the United States, impose sanctions against the Soviet Union until such time as it withdraws its troops from Afghanistan when the United States continues to supply arms and money to Israel although it adamantly refuses to withdraw from the West Bank, Gaza Strip and Golan Heights?

The United States does not recognise the annexation of Jerusalem, yet it has not lifted a finger to convince Israel it must give Arab Jerusalem back.

The United States says the security of Israel comes first. Why should one not accept, by the same token, that the security of the Soviet Union comes first? That neither is threatened is true, but what is to prevent the Soviet Union from arguing that its security takes precedence over the independence of Afghanistan just as in American eyes, the security of Israel takes precedence over the independence of the Palestinians? A sham is a sham, and the only way to deal with it is to end it. At least the Soviet Union has not had the affrontry to plead security considerations, as Israel has in holding on to occupied Arab territory. This distorted logic is readily accepted by the United States when used by Israel.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RA'I: The steps now being taken towards the normalisation of relations between Egypt and Israel emphasise the fact that the Egyptian regime has given up its promises of support for the Arab cause and created a dangerous situation that threatens that cause.

This situation, with all its dimensions and consequences, is bigger than the Arabs can confront with mere emotion. Emotions alone -- even if they are sincere -- are not the effective way to face the events.

The Arabs have transcended, since the Baghdad summit, the stage of reaction, and reached that of a drawn-up strategy which has taken into consideration what is happening now and what may result from the Egyptian-Israeli treaty.

Therefore, the only way to confront this situation is to carry on with the implementation of the Arab strategy; hastily build up indigenous Arab strength; deal with the international events the area witnesses with wisdom and insight and emphasise that the first priority is the Arab cause at all levels -- and eventually return the issue to the U.N. General Assembly or the Security Council.

As for the Egyptian people, the day will come when these Arab people will have their say and impose their will. **AL DUSTOUR:** It is known that the Arabian Gulf states cannot alone deter a sweeping Soviet military attack on the area; but they also fear being accused of military cooperation with the U.S. to face this probable invasion, because they know the extent of their people's indignation at U.S. policy in the Middle East.

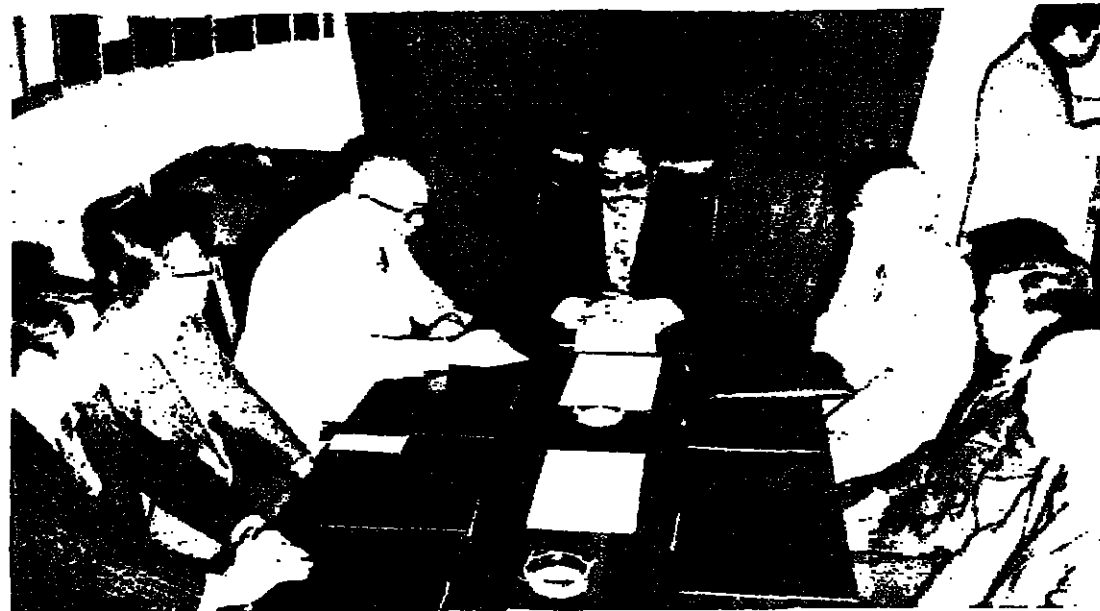
It is strange that this plain fact does not receive due consideration from the Washington decision makers because they continue, with their old naivete and ignorance, to imagine that they can buy the Arab people with wheat and dollars. If this does not work, they try diplomatic pressure and implicit threats -- and if this does not work either they resort to armed force; while what the Arabs want is very simple. The Arab people want justice -- justice to Palestine and to the people of Palestine.

There is no real problem between the Arabs and America, except the problem of its support of Israeli aggression, thus defying principles of justice and international laws and regulations.

Israel is among the most important sources of the poison that has tainted and is still tainting Arab-American relations. When the U.S. takes a fair stand towards the Palestinian people, it will not then be in need of threatening with its armies and fleets to restore the Arabs' lost confidence.

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A Japanese telecommunications delegation meets Saturday with Minister of Communications Mohammad Al Zaben.

Japanese telecoms delegation here

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN, Jan. 26 -- Minister of Communications Mohammad Al Zaben today received in his office a five-man delegation of Japanese telecommunications engineers and industrialists who are on the second leg of a tour of six Arab countries.

The team, headed by Mr. Takuo Sasaki of the Japan Telecommunications Industries Federation (JTIF), is exploring ways of following up and implementing the resolutions of the Arab-Japan telecommunications conference held in Tokyo in February of last year. At the end of that conference, a joint communique was issued stressing the importance of

training for engineers in the Arab World and calling for cooperation in industrialisation between Japan and Arab countries.

After brief introductory com-

ments by Dr. Zaben, Mr. Sasaki expressed thanks on behalf of the delegation for the reception it had received, and summarised the purpose of its mission.

Director General of Telecommunications Mohammad Shahid Ismail, who acted as interpreter between the minister and the Japanese delegation, then spoke. He said that Jordan considers itself a training centre for the Arab World, and expressed the hope that the Japanese would agree to help set up a regional telecommunications engineering training centre here -- in fulfillment of a decision made at last year's conference.

Earlier today, the Japanese group visited the Jordanian training centre in Amman -- which, Mr. Ismail said, could be converted into a regional institution. On Sunday, they plan to visit the Royal Scientific Society.

The other four members of the delegation, besides Mr. Sasaki, are Mr. Muneakazu Samejima of the Industrial Bank of Japan, Mr. Tetsuo Iida of Japan Telecommunications Engineering and Consulting, Mr. Yasuo Kawarada of JTIF and Mr. Hiroo Fukui of the Japan Cooperation Centre for the Middle East. The last three organisations named co-sponsored last year's telecommunications conference.

Before coming to Jordan, the delegation visited Tunisia. After leaving here, they will travel to Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates before returning to Japan.

Tuesday to be Public Holiday

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JNA) -- All government departments and public institutions will be closed on Tuesday, Jan. 29, 1980 on the occasion of Prophet Muhammad's birthday, a communique from the Prime Minister's Office said today.

Religious celebrations will be held at mosques throughout the country to mark the occasion.

Prime minister tours Amman's downtown

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JNA) -- The western slope of Jabal Jofah, where a landslide occurred recently, was among a number of areas visited by the Prime Minister, Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, during a tour of Amman today.

The prime minister, who was accompanied by the Amman Mayor Isam Ajlouni and other officials, was briefed on the precautionary and public safety measures taken in view of the landslide.

Later, the Prime Minister visited the industrial zone, the central market place and neighbour-

ing areas in the east and southeast of the capital, as well as Wadi Nasr where he inspected general conditions and the municipality's services to its residents.

Sharif Abdul Hamid instructed the municipality to make an immediate comprehensive study of the industrial zone with a view to introducing improvements in the public and social services to that area.

At a meeting with the municipal council afterwards, the Prime Minister was briefed on the municipality's future plans and its priorities.



Conference on Arab World telecommunications

Arab World telecoms conference opens here

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JNA) -- The Director General of the Telecommunications Corporation, Mr. Mohammad Shahid Ismail, opened here today a three-day conference on telephone, telegraph and telex traffic in the Arab World.

Delegates to the conference, which was organised by the Arab organisation for satellite communications, will discuss progress on the Arab satellite project in the past year, Arab countries' telephone projects this year and a timetable for constructing ground satellite stations in Arab states which are members of the organisation.

Taking part in the conference are delegates representing Syria, Saudi Arabia, Algeria, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, the Sultanate of Oman, Somalia, Sudan and the Yemen Arab Republic.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Documentary Exhibition

The French Cultural Centre presents a documentary exhibition entitled "The History of the French Song." This exhibition continues until January 27.

Sculpture Exhibition

The Department of Culture and Arts, in cooperation with the Embassy of Romania, presents an exhibition of small Romanian sculpture at the Art Gallery, Ministry of Culture and Youth. The exhibition is open until January 27.

German Art Exhibition

The Goethe Institute presents an exhibition of art works from the art centres of Berlin and Hamburg. The exhibition is open until February 2.

French Film

The French Cultural Centre presents a film by Yannik Bellon entitled "Jamais plus toujours" (1976). The film is in colour with Arabic subtitles, and it starts at 7:30 p.m.

German firm wins Hij RR feasibility contract

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JT) -- The higher committee of the Hijaz Railway held its first meeting today at the Ministry of Transport to discuss the contract to be signed with a consulting firm who will conduct a feasibility study on the project.

The project involves construction of a standard gauge railway connecting Damascus, Amman and Medina along the route of the old Hijaz railway built at the beginning of this century by the Ottomans.

The higher committee includes the Saudi communications minister, and the Syrian and Jordanian ministers of transport.

Saudi Communications Minister Sheikh Hussein Al Mansouri on his arrival today told reporters that the contract will go to a German consortium chosen from a list of eight international firms that were competing for the award.

The higher committee will meet again tomorrow at the time of the signing ceremony with the German consulting group.



Members of the Hijaz railway technical committee on feasibility study contract.

This evening, the Prime Minister, Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, received at his office the Saudi minister and the Syrian Minister of Transport, Mr. Mohammad Tayyarah. They discussed coop-

eration in the field of telecommunications and transport. The meeting was attended by the Minister of State for Prime Affairs, Mr. Ali Sub-

Refugee host countries urge UNRWA to improve service

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JNA) -- A week-long conference of Arab states hosting Palestinian refugees has issued an urgent call to Arab representatives at the United Nations to make contacts with the U.N. Secretary General, Dr. Kurt Waldheim, with a view to putting an end to UNRWA's continuous reduction of its services to the refugees, the head of Jordan's delegation to the conference, Mr. Abdul Rahim Jarrar, said here last night.

Speaking upon his return from the conference, which was held in Tunis, Mr. Jarrar said the delegates also urged supervisors of Palestinian refugee affairs in Arab countries to take the matter up more seriously with the UNRWA Commissioner General, Mr. Olof Rydbeck, and urge him to double his efforts to cover the international agency's deficit.

The conference also called for an early return of UNRWA's headquarters from Vienna to its field of operations, the Middle East, Mr. Jarrar said.

Mr. Jarrar, who is undersecretary of the Ministry of Reconstruction and Development, said the delegates reviewed UNRWA's services to the refugees and noted with deep concern that they are far below the minimum level.

They also reviewed Zionist settlement plans in occupied Arab territories which aimed at Judaizing Arab land with disregard to U.N. resolutions, he said.

He added that special attention was also given to Israel's seizure of the Jerusalem Electricity Company, around the Aqua Jerusalem and educational broadcast by students in the territories.

A three-member conference, which opened on Jan. 22,

U.N. committee selects Arab rights abuse cases

GENEVA, Jan. 26 (R) -- A United Nations committee set up to investigate allegations of Israeli human rights violations in the occupied Arab territories has selected cases for detailed reports and will interview witnesses.

At a meeting which ended today, it examined evidence concerning Arabs' freedom of move-

ment, expropriation and conditions of detention.

It is chaired by la Borut Bohte, of Yugoslavia, other members are M. Goundiam, of Senegal, and Mr. B.J. Fernandez, of the Philippines.

New departure lounge opened at airport

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JNA) -- A new departure lounge was formally opened at the Amman airport today by the Director General of the Civil Aviation Directorate, Sharif Ghazi Rakan. The modern lounge, complete with electronic equipment, can accommodate 750 passengers -- double the previous capacity, Sharif Ghazi said.

He said Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline, constructed the new airport lounge, which cost JD 70,000, in cooperation with the Directorate of Civil Aviation.

There are plans for building a new transit lounge to accommodate 350 passengers in the coming few months. This lounge will contain a restaurant as well as a duty-free shop, Sharif Ghazi said.



Alia Chairman Ali Ghandour (right), Civil Aviation Director General Sharif Ghazi Rakan (centre) and other officials at the opening of the airport's new departure lounge.

Local News Briefs

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JNA) -- His Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, today sent a cable of good wishes to Indian President Neelam Sanjeeva Reddy on the occasion of India's National Day. He also sent a cable to Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu congratulating him on the anniversary of his 62nd birthday.

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JNA) -- The Minister of Justice, Mr. Najib Arsheid, deputised for His Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, in opening a meeting of the permanent bureau of the Union of Arab Lawyers at the Professional Complex this evening. The participants will discuss a number of subjects, most important of which are the latest developments in the Arab situation, the Palestinian issue, preparing for the union's fourteenth conference due to be held in Morocco in June and other issues pertaining to the union. The three-day meeting is attended by presidents of bar associations in Jordan, Egypt, Iraq, Sudan, Tunisia, Algeria, Palestine, South Yemen, Syria, the Libyan Jamahiriyyah, Bahrain, Lebanon and Morocco.



Arab lawyers meet at the Professional Complex Saturday

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JNA) -- Accounts at the Postal Savings Bank for the end of 1979 reached 63,000 and total assets at JD 3.35 billion, the director general said today. Some 85 offices were opened in the first half of this month with the aim of spreading savings funds to all post offices in the country.

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JT) -- Two officials of the Irving Trust, a large American banking firm, arrived yesterday for talks with the Central Bank and other leading Jordanian banks. Mr. Haddad, assistant vice president of the company and Middle East division, will discuss lending and letter of credit facilities with the banks. He is accompanied by Mr. Ibrahim Gharghour, the company's Middle East representative. The two officials leave for Beirut today.

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (JNA) -- A spokesman for the Jordanian Consumers Organisation said that an agreement was reached between the Azraq Cooperative Society and the Syrian Consumer Corporation for the export of 8,000 tons of saffron to Syria.

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Times Staff Reporter

N. Jan. 26 -- The new cabinet's policy of encouraging a spirit both within the government and between the government and the people was put into effect today. A joint tour of three cabinet members to major towns in the north of Jordan -- Jerash, Ramtha and Ajlun -- was the first of a series of such visits.

Dr. Jamal Sha'er, minister of agriculture, rural and environmental affairs, Dr. Muwaffaq al-Hakmat, minister of tourism and cultural affairs, and Dr. Rabiah al-Rajab, minister of health, led a delegation of some 20 officials. Their first stop was Jerash, where they met with local officials and residents. Dr. Sha'er, who is also a member of the National Consultative Council, spoke at a public meeting and answered questions. He also visited the Jerash Museum and the Jerash Amphitheatre.

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place for the ministers and local dignitaries and representatives of local organisations. Here they opened up a dialogue on behalf of the people in the area and presented some of the most urgent problems to the ministers for consideration.

Thus at Jerash, after introductory speeches by the three ministers and welcoming addresses by the Governor of Jerash and Mayor Mohammad Ramadan, the gathering heard from Dr. Mohammad Rabiah, head of the Department of Antiquities in Jerash and a member of the National Consultative Council's committee for services and public facilities. Dr. Rabiah put forward an interesting proposal: to establish something like a town hall for the use of the community on various occasions. An example would be receiving neighbours' condolences on the death of a member of the family -- or more festive occasions such as weddings, where the cost is too much of a burden for the poorer members of society, or space is lacking at home. In this way, tribal customs could still be observed, but a greater equality between rich and poor achieved.

Moving on to Ramtha, the delegation first paid a visit to the border resthouse where Dr. Fawwaz, himself a native of Ramtha, was reasonably satisfied with the upkeep of the restaurant, although he noted that the boiler was not working. He observed ironically that this would probably now be put right immediately, as a direct result of his visit.

The main event in this town, however, was a gathering at the municipality, in which a lively debate ensued between the mayor, Mr. Zeid Fawwaz (the minister of tourism's uncle), and Dr. Sha'er and Dr. Fawwaz, chiefly on the subject of improving the road running into town from the border.

In Irbid, discussion continued at the Governorate office on the subject of decentralisation. The main topic of conversation was the establishment of village councils, of which there are now a greater number than before throughout the kingdom, thanks to the last government's having reduced the minimum population required in a village from 750 to 500.

Dr. Jamal Sha'er had earlier told the Jordan Times about the symbolic significance of this visit to Irbid by the ministers, since the town's recently elected mayor Dr. Abdel Razzaq Tbaishat is the first mayor to be elected for a four-year term. Dr. Sha'er and the other two ministers (at that time all members of the NCC) were instrumental in pushing legislation through the council late last year which changed the term of office for municipal councils from two to four years.

Among the issues brought up at the Municipality office was the establishment of a sports village, which brought in questions of the environment and the financial problems of the present council caused by overspending. Problems stemming from the commencement of ambitious projects started by the previous council



Dr. Jamal Sha'er listens to local grievances at the new industrial site in Irbid. The Irbid mayor Dr. Abdel Razzaq Tbaishat is on the minister's right.

were also discussed. The mayor felt particularly strongly about the situation at the recently developed industrial complex, beset with a number of problems in construction and organisation.

The noisiest reception of the day awaited the ministerial party after a much appreciated lunch at Yarmouk University, where university President Adnan Badran had outlined plans for the new

university complex of particular concern to the minister of culture.

At the industrial site a large number of angry workers and small industry owners came forward with a number of provocative, although somewhat exaggerated complaints, ranging from cracked walls to the problems of sanitary conditions and lack of fire-fighting appliances.

The afternoon's activities were rounded up with two visits to two youth clubs in the town, the Al Arabi club and the Al Hussein club. Both these clubs -- not to be confused with youth centres run directly by the Ministry of Culture and Youth -- are run by the local people themselves on a voluntary basis. Mud was the chief complaint of one of the club's representatives at the Al Hussein club, where the party was led through the ankle deep mud to view the

poor conditions of the playground. As the irate representative remarked to the ministers, "I want you to go back to Amman with mud on your shoes so you do not forget."

Summing up the effect of the day's trip, which all ministers agreed had been very fruitful, Dr. Fawwaz pointed out that for him as minister of tourism, the benefits were not very substantial; but as a representative of the northern region it had been invaluable.

Mr. Hikmat had been pleased to find the clubs better equipped than he had expected, although he too explained that the chief benefit had been in establishing contact with people personally, in explaining to the people basic government policy concerning the provinces. "Those who live outside big cities always complain about feeling neglected," he observed. "This feeling of neglect

justified in a way -- maybe also be inherited from the days of the Ottoman government and a mysterious feeling of imperialism and dominance."

He added that one of the ministers' goals had been to project a certain theme or issue to the people; and that was, to impress on them the need for mutual effort in building a better society in Jordan. "It is a common gesture in all developing countries for people to demand a lot of the government. Of course the government has to do a lot, but the people also have to work hard to help themselves. I felt this point was definitely appreciated today by the people," he concluded.

All three ministers intend to follow up today's experience with further similar trips to other regions in the company of fellow ministers, although not necessarily the same assortment.

First Muslim to run for national office in west

Canadian Parliamentary candidate tours M.E.

By Steven Ross
Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN, Jan. 26 -- The need has never been greater for improved understanding between Islam and the Western world. Events in Palestine, Iran and, most recently, Afghanistan, make it almost imperative that the two sides get to know each other -- for the sake of the peace of mind of both.

For this reason, a visiting Canadian Muslim candidate for parliament, Mr. Iqbal Ben-Tahir, says: "If I were to get elected, I think it would be a breakthrough."

Mr. Ben-Tahir, who is running for the downtown Ottawa Centre constituency, believes that if he is elected it will be a unique opportunity to promote improved Muslim-Western relations. For, as far as he knows, he is the first Muslim ever to run for office at the national level in any Western country -- and would surely be the first ever to hold office.

Mr. Ben-Tahir was born in 1939 in Hyderabad on the Indian subcontinent. He was ten years old when Hyderabad became a province of the new state of India and, like much of the Muslim population of India, his family fled. He has lived most of his life in Canada, and is now on a tour of the Middle East for, as he admitted in an interview with the Jordan Times yesterday, he cannot yet claim to be able to understand this part of the world better than his opponents, never having been here before.

One Muslim with whom Mr. Ben-Tahir would like to promote improved relations is Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini -- after the Canadian election, that is. On his current trip, he is visiting only what he calls the "pro-Western" Arab states. "I want to be able to go home and tell people what is bothering them" about the West's policies, he said.

There are approximately 100,000 Muslims in Canada; about 0.4 per cent of the population. Not too many of these are in Mr. Ben-Tahir's district; there are, however, a good many ethnic Arabs. Most of these, he says, are Lebanese Christians. In fact, the man who has donated space for his campaign headquarters is a Christian Arab.

The Canadian Parliamentary election day is Feb. 18, which gave rise to Mr. Ben-Tahir's campaign slogan: "18-2-80 vote I. Ben-Tahir" -- in other words, those aged anywhere between 18 and 80 should vote for him. It was, however, rather surprising to hear that he had not declared his candidacy until Jan. 14, being the seventh candidate to declare. His most immediate reasons for running make it clearer why he declared so late.

Besides his concern for Muslim-Western relations, he of course wants to serve his district, in which many members of ethnic minorities live. But his primary consideration can be traced to his work with the Canadian National Defence Department, his interest in international strategic studies, and his studies in information theory at Lehigh University. "I was inspired to run for office," he says, "by some of my findings in information theory and the Afghanistan situation, which caused me many sleepless nights."

The "findings" referred to are part of Mr. Ben-Tahir's studies at Lehigh, where he is working on a thesis for a Master of Science degree.

The thesis' title is "Half-life Syndrome" in Cycles of Information," and Mr. Ben-Tahir gave a very interesting explanation of what this means. According to his theory, every form of information has a half-life, very much like the half-lives of radioactive materials. The half-life is a measure of the rate of decay, and in the case of information, it measures the length of a certain type of information's active life.

"The Bible, for instance," Mr. Ben-Tahir said, "has a very long half-life," while in the case of some modern specialised technical data, the half-life is only days or even minutes.

It was, however, a different kind of information cycle that led to his candidacy. In December of last year, he says, he came to the realisation that "Soviet strategic doctrine is cyclical," with a major (12-year) and a minor (5-year) cycle.

The five-year cycle applies to various "proxy actions," Mr.



Iqbal Ben-Tahir

Ben-Tahir sees as having been taken by the Soviets over the past 20 years, while the major cycle is that of direct Soviet action, namely the taking of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania in 1944, the suppression of dissent in Hungary in 1956, the "Prague Spring" of 1968, and the Soviet incursion into Afghanistan in 1980.

Thus Mr. Ben-Tahir sees his theory of cycles as being borne out by recent events in this region. He says that the next conflict in the five-year cycle should come sometime in 1982, and expects it to happen in the Middle East. He would like to be a member of parliament when it happens. "I hope, if elected, to do my best both academically and politically to help bring about stability," he said. He would, if elected, continue to work on his information theory degree.

Mr. Ben-Tahir's preoccupation with global strategic conflict is perhaps explained by his conviction that the country that would really suffer in a nuclear exchange between the United States and the Soviet Union would be Canada. Since both superpowers have very sophisticated defence systems, he says, most missiles shot from one to the other would end up falling short as they were intercepted -- and the country they would fall on would be Canada. "That is why I think I should talk to Khomeini," he said -- because the issues with which Iran is concerned are not worth starting a third world war over.

On issues closer to the Muslim world, Mr. Ben-Tahir was less outspoken. When questioned about Jerusalem, he replied that the issue of the Holy City's occupation was a very emotional one, whose resolution required "insight, time, acceptance and understanding." On Palestine, however, he declared his support of United Nations Resolution 242, calling for the withdrawal of Israel from all occupied territories.

One issue which might have been thought to have aroused strong feelings among Muslim Canadians was the proposed transfer of the Canadian embassy in Israel to Jerusalem from Tel Aviv, which was promised as part of Prime Minister Joe Clark's campaign platform but never carried out. Asked what his views were at the time that this move was under consideration, Mr. Ben-Tahir replied that, being a civil servant, he "couldn't" have any views "about the transfer."

"At any rate," he said, "we have changed our position on that question, because such a move would not be in the interest of a negotiated peace" in the Middle East.

Besides the strategic importance of the Middle East in any global conflict, Mr. Ben-Tahir says that the region is of particular interest to Canada because of its oil wealth. The Canadian economy is not strong enough, he says, to absorb continual oil price hikes, and he hopes to be able to do something about it. On his campaign leaflet, the item given top priority among international issues is: "Promotion of better understanding between the Western World and the Muslim World with preferential oil prices for Canada."

He cited a number of examples of advanced Canadian technology that he thought Middle Eastern leaders might be interested in obtaining in return for such preferential treatment.

Mr. Ben-Tahir is leaving Jordan

Saturday evening, but before then he intends to make contact with some Jordanian officials, in line with his declared purpose of familiarising himself with the Muslim World. He said he would like to talk to the prime minister, the minister of foreign affairs, and the minister of Islamic affairs. Before leaving Canada, he sent a cable to His Majesty King Hussein, requesting an audience.

Before coming to Jordan, he visited Turkey for two days. After leaving here, he intends to visit Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Kuwait. In Saudi Arabia, he will perform the umra, or pilgrimage to the holy places (not counted as the Hajj because it is not as complete and not performed during the month of pilgrimage).

Mr. Ben-Tahir is running against a number of powerful candidates, including three from the major Canadian parties. It is, he said, very expensive, and he has had to borrow a great deal of money to pay for his campaign. One big disadvantage he faces is that the party candidates get free time in the news media for publicity, while he, running as an independent, has to pay for everything. He has been able to afford no television, radio or newspaper advertisements.

Asked what he thought his chances were of winning the election under such circumstances, he said: "I think my chances have improved greatly due to recent events at the international level. The other candidates are looking inward" at Canada's domestic problems.

Although Canadian law requires that public employees be awarded leave without pay in order to campaign for office, Mr. Ben-Tahir said he had no guarantee that he would get his job back if he loses the election. With that and his precarious financial situation in mind, one must certainly agree with a remark made by one of his acquaintances before he left Canada: "You've got a lot of guts."

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Bani-Sadr

who had supported him to list of candidates for next parliamentary elections. He said his first priority as president would be the reconstruction of the battered economy. As a member of the Revolutionary Council's economic committee he had been the architect of last year's economic package and a nationalisation drive. As minister he scrapped rates on housing loans, gave them with a four per cent charge, a move that had won him support from bor-

Bani-Sadr is an exponent of U.S. interference in affairs but he was also the first to signal the potential to Iran of the Soviet Union in neighbouring Iran.

Reuters: "I remain loyal to my proposal for close relations with Europe and the oppressed countries of the world. I am for helping liberal movements throughout the world system must be in the interest of all countries as well as the state of affairs cannot be maintained."

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Protest

imperialist conspiracies aimed against Syria... Egyptian officials contacted from Cairo by telephone at Al-Arish, the only border point so far open, said they had no reports of any crossing in either direction.

Under the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty, signed in Washington last March, land travel should have begun today. But officials in Tel Aviv said Israeli border posts would not be open for business until tomorrow because of the Sabbath.

Egyptian Defence Minister Gen. Kamal Hassan Ali said a land route in Sinai extending from Rafah in the north to Kantara in the south passing by Al-Arish would be the only way for land travel until bilateral transport agreements were reached.

The opening of the border, a step towards normalising relations after the two countries had fought four wars, followed Israel's completion of the first phase of withdrawal from Sinai.

Egypt is now in control of two-thirds of the desert peninsula, including the strategic Mitla and Giddi passes as well as the military base of Bir Gafaga and Al-Melz air field which Israel formally handed back yesterday.

Under the peace package, Egypt is due to regain full control of Sinai in April, 1982, when Israel pulls back to the international boundaries of 1948.

Direct air links between the two countries, another aspect for normalising relations, are not likely to begin for several months.

Islam aides

"because if the United States of America had not been involved in the existing crisis the Soviet Union would never have done such a thing."

Referring to the expanded agenda, conference officials said the issue of Israel's hold on Jerusalem and Palestinian rights were a permanent part of the conference agenda despite the special nature of this emergency session.

The sources said Iran had won inclusion on the agenda of a discussion on foreign pressure on Islamic countries. This would allow the issue of U.S. sanctions against Iran to be debated.



Prince Saud Al-Faisal, Saudi Arabia's foreign minister, on arrival in Islamabad Saturday said: "The Soviet invasion of Afghanistan threatens the independence of all the Muslim countries, as well as peace and security of the world."

(AP wirephoto) He was condemned and most delegates have expressed their readiness to demand the immediate withdrawal of Soviet troops.

Bangladesh Foreign Minister Mohammad Shams Ull-Haq, told reporters he shared the deep concern of Islamic countries about the tragic happening in Afghanistan. He said on arrival at Islamabad airport that the conference would enable Muslim countries to enforce unity and solidarity.

Somali Foreign Minister Abdi Rahman Jama Barre said he hoped the conference would reach decisions which would protect the interests of all countries suffering from foreign intervention.

Mr. Barre, whose country once had a friendship treaty with the Soviet Union, said the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan had been seen before and was nothing new. "They did it in Ethiopia and now they are interfering in country after country in order to spread their control for their own ends," he said.

TODAY'S WEATHER

It will be fair, with a further rise in temperature. Winds will be southwesterly moderate. In Aqaba, winds will be northerly moderate and seas calm.

| Overnight | Daytime |
|---------------|---------|
| low | high |
| Amman | 9 14 |
| Aqaba | 3 22 |
| Deserts | 3 16 |
| Jordan Valley | 10 20 |

LOCAL EXCHANGE RATES

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|------------------|-----------------|
| U.S. dollar | 294.50/296.50 |
| U.K. sterling | 664.40/668.40 |
| West German mark | 169.70/170.70 |
| Swiss franc | 182.10/183.10 |
| Italian lire | (for every 100) |
| Japanese yen | 36.50/36.70 |
| (for every 100) | |
| Dutch guilder | 122.90/123.60 |
| Belgian franc | 153.60/154.50 |
| Swedish crown | 104.50/105.10 |
| | 70.80/71.20 |

AMMAN STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

| Name of Company | Par Value | Number Traded | High | Low | Closing Price |
|---|-----------|---------------|--------|--------|---------------|
| Arab Union Insurance Co. | JD 1,000 | 187 | 1,600 | 1,600 | 1,600 |
| Jordan Pipes Manufacturing Co. | JD 10,000 | 20 | 14,650 | 14,650 | 14,650 |
| Jordan Lime and Silicate Brick Industries Co. | JD 5,000 | 430 | 5,450 | 5,450 | 5,450 |
| Jordan Dairy Co. | JD 1,000 | 150 | 1,280 | 1,280 | 1,280 |
| Arabian Development and Investment | JD 2,000 | 400 | 1,850 | 1,850 | 1,850 |
| Islamic Bank | JD 1,000 | 19059 | 2,660 | 2,660 | 2,660 |
| Bank of Jordan | JD 5,000 | 516 | 14,000 | 13,800 | 14,000 |
| Jordan-Gulf Bank | JD 1,000 | 13200 | 1,610 | 1,600 | 1,600 |
| Arab Investment Bank | JD 1,000 | 2810 | 1,600 | 1,600 | 1,600 |
| Housing Bank | JD 1,000 | 1130 | 2,250 | 2,250 | 2,250 |
| Jordan Kuwait Bank | JD 1,000 | 4924 | 2,200 | 2,100 | 2,100 |
| Industrial Development Bank | JD 1,000 | 300 | 1,550 | 1,550 | 1,550 |
| Jordan National Bank | JD 5,000 | 350 | 14,000 | 14,000 | 14,000 |
| Cairo - Amman Bank | JD 5,000 | 195 | 14,500 | 14,000 | 14,500 |
| Dar Al-Dawa Development and Investment Co. | JD 1,000 | 1350 | 3,900 | 3,850 | 3,850 |
| Jordan Tanning Co. | JD 5,000 | 487 | 10,500 | 10,500 | 10,500 |
| Industrial, Commercial and Agricultural Co. | JD 1,000 | 550 | 3,650 | 3,600 | 3,600 |
| Arab International Hotels Co. | JD 1,000 | 7750 | 1,020 | 1,000 | 1,010 |
| Arab Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Co. | JD 5,000 | 100 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 |
| Arab Company for Aluminium Industries | JD 1,000 | 6350 | 1,850 | 1,750 | 1,750 |
| Jordan Electricity Co. | JD 1,000 | 3284 | 1,600 | 1,560 | 1,590 |
| International Construction and Investment | JD 1,000 | 2528 | 1,030 | 1,030 | 1,030 |
| Arab Finance Corporation | JD 10,000 | 50 | 11,600 | 11,600 | 11,600 |
| Jordan Cement Factories Co. | JD 10,000 | 323 | 21,500 | 21,400 | 21,500 |
| Jordan Ceramic Industries Co. | JD 1,000 | 100 | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,300 |
| Jordan Glass Factories Co. | JD 1,000 | 5710 | 1,060 | 1,050 | 1,050 |
| Jordan Spinning and Weaving Co. | JD 1,000 | 5342 | 1,140 | 1,100 | 1,140 |
| Jordan Paper and Cardboard Factories Co. | JD 1,000 | 15000 | 1,370 | 1,350 | 1,370 |
| Jordan Petroleum Refinery Co. | JD 5,000 | 3278 | 10,300 | 10,150 | 10,200 |
| National Steel Industry | JD 10,000 | 200 | 15,500 | 15,500 | 15,500 |

Total Volume Traded on Saturday, Jan. 26, 1980: JD 197,751

Total number of shares traded: 82,555

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Englishman leads World Bowls singles

MELBOURNE, Jan. 26 (R) — England's David Bryant was the only singles player of 20 national representatives unbeaten after five rounds in the World Bowls Championships tonight. Scotland was the only unbeaten country in the fours. Bryant, now 48, won the singles gold medal at the first World Bowls Championships in Sydney 14 years ago. Today he mastered a blustery wind to beat Scotland's David McGill 21-15 after trailing 1-9 at nine ends. The wind carried Bryant's throw of the jack out of bounds three times during his 21-7 win over Zambia's Dan Coetzee. Like Bryant, New Zealand's Nick Unkovich went into the fifth round undefeated. He had beaten Australia's John Snell 21-14 and Guernsey's Keith Shaw 21-75. But tonight he was outplayed by Kenya's Sid Meredith 21-18. Meredith's third win. Ireland's Stan Espie scored his fourth win in beating Snell 21-11. Espie fired drives whenever in trouble.

Results in today's matches

Round three, singles: Hong Kong 21, West Samoa 8; England 21, Scotland 15; Jersey 21, Israel 15; Ireland 21, Kenya 6; Swaziland 21, Papua New Guinea 16; Wales 15, Canada 11; Malawi 21, Japan 13; U.S. 21, Fiji 19; New Zealand 21, Australia 14; Zambia 21, Guernsey 12.

Fours: Papua New Guinea 29, Swaziland 18; Zambia 22, Guernsey 15; Australia 16, New Zealand 16; Hong Kong 28, West Samoa 12; Jersey 20, Israel 16; Scotland 22, England 14; Ireland 17, Kenya 14; U.S. 28, Fiji 19; Wales 26, Canada 18; Malawi 35, Japan 6.

Round four, singles: Australia 21, Hong Kong 14; Scotland 21, Wales 6; Ireland 21, Canada 16; England 21, Papua New Guinea 16; West Samoa 21, U.S. 17; Zambia 21, Japan 5; New Zealand 21, Guernsey 15; Swaziland 21, Israel 20; Malawi 21, Fiji 18; Kenya 21, Jersey 20.

Fours: Zambia 24, Japan 9; Israel 27, Swaziland 11, Guernsey 21, New Zealand 19; Jersey 25, Kenya 14; Australia 25, Hong Kong 16; England 21, Papua New Guinea 18; Scotland 24, Wales 18; Fiji 33, Malawi 15; Canada 21, Ireland 11; U.S. 22, West Samoa 12.

Round five, singles: Ireland 21, Australia 11; Fiji 21, Canada 15; Hong Kong 21, Swaziland 11; Wales 21, Guernsey 8; Scotland 21, U.S. 13; West Samoa 21, Papua New Guinea 11; Jersey 21, Malawi 11; England 21, Zambia 7; Israel 21, Japan 1; Kenya 21, New Zealand 18.

Fours: Fiji 33, Canada 12; Scotland 22, U.S. 14; Malawi 22, Jersey 19; Papua New Guinea 26, West Samoa 14; Hong Kong 28, Swaziland 14; Wales 32, Guernsey 11; England 31, Zambia 16; Ireland 19, Australia 14; Israel 22, Japan 16; New Zealand 26, Kenya 12.

Leonard team trophy (positions after round five of singles and fours): New Zealand 69, England 66, Scotland 64, Ireland 62, Hong Kong 58, Wales 58, Australia 56, U.S. 46, Jersey 46, Canada 44, Fiji 40, Zambia 40, Israel 39, Papua New Guinea 35, Swaziland 23, Western Samoa 23, Guernsey 20, Malawi 20, Kenya 17, Japan 4.

U.S. woman sets mile world record

AUCKLAND, New Zealand, Jan. 26 (R) — Mary Decker of the United States broke the women's one mile world record with a time of four minutes 21.7 seconds at an international athletics meeting here tonight. Her time was four-tenths of a second faster than the old record held by Natalia Marasescu of Romania.

JORDAN TIMES SPORTS ROUNDUP

Basketball roundup

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (AP) — It was a night when the big boys of the National Basketball Association got trimmed down to size. The three teams with the best records in the league — the Philadelphia 76ers, Boston Celtics and Seattle SuperSonics — all came up losers yesterday, and so did the Kansas City Kings, who lead the Midwest Division. The Los Angeles Lakers won their 11th consecutive victory at home, a 124-103 defeat of the 76ers, whose nine-game winning streak came to an end.

In other games, the Washington Bullets defeated the Celtics 118-107. The Chicago Bulls defeated the Kings 113-101 in overtime, the San Antonio Spurs beat the SuperSonics 125-116, the Phoenix Suns trounced the Milwaukee Bucks 110-96, the New York Knicks overtook the Golden State Warriors 110-105, the Indiana Pacers trimmed the San Diego Clippers 139-111 and the Detroit Pistons beat the New Jersey Nets 119-116.

The Lakers picked up a full game on the Sonics in the Pacific Division and trail Seattle by 1½ games. Swingman Roger Phegley came off the bench to score eight points in both the second and fourth periods and help Washington and Boston only its fourth home loss in 25 games. Elvin Hayes and Bob Dandridge led the Bullets with 25 points apiece and Wes Unseld contributed 11. The Celtics sliced a 16-point deficit to 94-92 but Phegley came off the bench again and scored two quick baskets.

Rick Sobers scored eight points in overtime and Dave Greenwood added four for Chicago, to help defeat Kansas City 113-101. The Kings appeared to have won in regulation time when Bill Robinson made two free throws with 26 seconds left for a 94-91 lead. But Chicago's Reggie Theus hit a three-point basket with 10 seconds to go and Sobers put the Bulls in front to stay with a 20-foot jump shot midway through the overtime period. George Gervin and James Silas teamed up for 21 points in the final period as San Antonio won its fourth game in a row 125-116 and ended Seattle's eight-game winning streak. Gervin finished with 39 points, including eight in the final quarter, and Silas scored 13 of his 32 in the last period. Gus Williams led Seattle with 24 points. Truck Robinson's 23 points led a balanced Phoenix attack. The Suns led by as many as 20 in the first half and took a 64-46 halftime lead and the closest the Bucks came after that was 14 points despite 32 by Marques Johnson and 24 by Sidney Moncrief.

The Knicks, led by rookie Bill Cartwright and Michael Ray Richardson, came from 15 points behind in the final period. Cartwright scored 31 points, including 10 in the last quarter. Richardson scored nine points in the final period, during which the Knicks outscored the Warriors 31-11, and finished with 24. Billy Knight scored a career-high 44 points and six other Pacers finished in double figures. James Edwards had 21 points, 12 of

them in the first period, and Alex English came off the bench to score 20. Lloyd Free scored 27 points for San Diego, but had only nine in the second half, which began with the Clippers holding a 72-68 edge.

Rookie Greg Kelsor's slam-dunk with 28 seconds remaining capped a furious Detroit comeback as the Pistons broke a 12-game losing streak on the road. The Nets appeared comfortably ahead after scoring nine straight points to take a 110-100 lead with three minutes remaining. Detroit scored seven straight points to cut the margin to 114-113 and, after a long jumper by Mike Newlin gave the Nets a three-point lead, the Pistons scored the games final six points.

West Indies score 303 for eight

ADELAIDE, Jan. 26 (R) — West Indian captain Clive Lloyd, scoring 121 in 187 minutes, lifted his side to a respectable 303 for eight on the first day of the third and final cricket test against Australia here today. Lloyd's magnificent effort gave West Indies a solid chance of protecting the 1-0 lead they established by winning the second test and winning a series in Australia for the first time. Fast bowler Dennis Lillee was the outstanding Australian, helping to reduce West Indies to 126 for four shortly after lunch and then removing Lloyd and Andy Roberts in the day's last over with the second new ball. Lillee finished with four for 73 from 22 overs while Geoff Dymock and Ashley Mallett, playing in his first test since 1976, shared the other four wickets.

Japanese boxer to defend title

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (AP) — World Boxing Association junior flyweight champion Yoko Gushien of Japan and South Korean challenger Kim Yong-Yum both predicted a knockout victory in their 15-round title bout in Osaka tomorrow. Gushien, 24, said at a press conference today he was determined to topple Kim in order to tie the world junior flyweight record held by Luos Estaba of Venezuela. Estaba, as World Boxing Council junior flyweight, scored 11 successive defence matches from Sept. 13, 1975. Kim, 22, getting his first crack at a world title, said at a separate press conference today, "I'm going to beat the champion with a 7th or 8th round knockout."

Gushien, who became WBA champion by flooring Juan Guzman of the Dominican Republic in the 7th round on Oct. 10, 1976, told reporters: "Physically and spiritually I'm in top condition. It's going to be a good fight and I'm going to win by a knockout." He said there was "no strategy or tactics in meeting the challenger" but he declined to predict the round he hoped to K.O. the South Korean.

Kim said he is aware Gushien is a tough, speedy fighter, "but I'm going all out from the first round. To win as challenger I've got to knockout the champion."

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